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12	BARBARA HUBBARD,	CASE NO. 08 CV 1111 L NLS
13	Plaintiff,	
14	vs.	DEFENDANT PIZZA HUT, INC.'S ANSWER TO COMPLAINT
15	PIZZA HUT, INC. dba PIZZA HUT	
16	#315059; JEHOVA JIREH, INC. dba SUBWAY; HANAOKA	
17	ENTERPRISE, INC. dba HANAOKA JAPANESE	DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL
18	RESTAURANT; CLEMENTINE	
19	DENIZ dba CASA DE ORO,	
20	Defendants.	
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Defendant PIZZA HUT, INC., DBA PIZZA HUT # 315059("Defendant"), in answer to plaintiff's Complaint, admits, denies, and alleges as follows:

### I. SUMMARY

- 1. In response to Paragraph 1 of the Complaint, Defendant is without sufficient 5 knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations therein, and on 6 that basis denies each and every allegation in this paragraph.
- 2. In response to Paragraph 2 of the Complaint, the allegations purport to 8 summarize the Complaint to which no response is required. To the extent a response is 9 deemed required, Defendant is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a 10 belief as to the truth of the allegations therein, and on that basis denies each and every 11 allegation in this paragraph.

#### II. JURISDICTION

- 3. In response to Paragraph 3 of the Complaint, Defendant admits only that original jurisdiction in this Court would appear to be appropriate for the alleged violations of the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) claims.
- 4. In response to Paragraph 4 of the Complaint, Defendant states that supplemental jurisdiction in this Court may be appropriate pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1367.
- In response to Paragraph 5 of the Complaint, Defendant admits only that 5. plaintiff's allegations/claims appear to be authorized pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201 and 2202.

#### III. VENUE

6. In response to Paragraph 6 of the Complaint, Defendant admits only that venue in this Court would appear to be proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(b) and (c).

#### IV. PARTIES

7. Responding to Paragraph 7 of the Complaint, Defendant admits that it operates the store.

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- 8. Responding to Paragraph 8 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies all of the allegations in this paragraph.
- 9. Responding to Paragraph 9 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies all of the allegations in this paragraph.
- 10. Responding to Paragraph 10 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies all of the allegations in this paragraph
- 11. Responding to Paragraph 11 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies all the allegations in this paragraph.

### V. FACTS

- 12. Responding to Paragraph 12 of the Complaint, Defendant admits only that the store is a retail establishment and that it is open to the public.
- 13. Responding to Paragraph 13 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies all of the allegations in this paragraph.
- 14. Responding to Paragraph 14 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies all of the allegations in this paragraph
- 15. Responding to Paragraph 15 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies all of the allegations in this paragraph
- 16. Responding to Paragraph 16 of the Complaint, Defendant denies all of the allegations.
- 17. Responding to Paragraph 17 of the Complaint, Defendant denies all of the allegations.

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- Responding to Paragraph 18 of the Complaint, Defendant denies all of the 18. allegations.
- 19. Responding to Paragraph 19 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies all of the allegations in this paragraph.
- Responding to Paragraph 20 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the 20. information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies all of the allegations in this paragraph.
- 21. Responding to Paragraph 21 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies all of the allegations in this paragraph.
- 22. Responding to Paragraph 22 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies all of the allegations in this paragraph.
- 23. Responding to Paragraph 23 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies all of the allegations in this paragraph.
- Responding to Paragraph 24 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the 24. information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies all of the allegations in this paragraph.
- Responding to Paragraph 25 of the Complaint, Defendant denies all of the 25. allegations.
- 26. Responding to Paragraph 26 of the Complaint, Defendant denies all of the allegations.
- Responding to Paragraph 27 of the Complaint, Defendant denies all of the 27. allegations.
- Responding to Paragraph 28 of the Complaint, Defendant denies all of the 28. allegations and further states that the store is currently in the process of being remodeled.

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- Responding to Paragraph 29 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the 29. information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies all of the allegations in this paragraph.
- 30. Responding to Paragraph 30 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies all of the allegations in this paragraph.
- 31. Responding to Paragraph 31 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies all of the allegations in this paragraph.
- 32. Responding to Paragraph 32 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies all of the allegations in this paragraph.
- Responding to Paragraph 33 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the 33. information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies all of the allegations in this paragraph.
- 34. Responding to Paragraph 34 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies all of the allegations in this paragraph.
- Responding to Paragraph 35 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the 35. information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies all of the allegations in this paragraph.
- Responding to Paragraph 36 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the 36. information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies all of the allegations in this paragraph.
- Responding to Paragraph 37 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the 37. information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies all of the allegations in this paragraph.

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### VI. FIRST CLAIM

### American with Disabilities Act of 1990

## Denial of "Full and Equal" Enjoyment and Use

(The Pizza Hut Facility)

- 38. Responding to Paragraph 38 of the Complaint, Defendant realleges and reincorporates herein paragraphs 1 through 37 of this Answer as set forth above.
- 39. Responding to Paragraph 39 of the Complaint, the Americans With Disabilities Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent that such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 40. Responding to Paragraph 40 of the Complaint, Defendant denies all of the allegations.

### Failure to Remove Architectural Barriers in an Existing Facility

- 41. Responding to Paragraph 41 of the Complaint, the Americans With Disabilities Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent that such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 42. Responding to Paragraph 42 of the Complaint, the Americans With Disabilities Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent that such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- Responding to Paragraph 43 of the Complaint, Defendant denies all of the 43. allegations.
- 44. Responding to Paragraph 44 of the Complaint, Defendant denies all of the allegations.

# Failure to Design and Construct an Accessible Facility

- Responding to Paragraph 45 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the 45. information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- Responding to Paragraph 46 of the Complaint, the Americans With Disabilities Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act

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- Responding to Paragraph 47 of the Complaint, Defendant denies all of the 47. allegations.
- 48. Responding to Paragraph 48 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 49. Responding to Paragraph 49 of the Complaint, the Americans With Disabilities Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent that such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 50. Responding to Paragraph 50 of the Complaint, Defendant denies all of the allegations.

### Failure to Modify Existing Policies and Procedures

- 51. Responding to Paragraph 51 of the Complaint, the Americans With Disabilities Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent that such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 52. Responding to Paragraph 52 of the Complaint, Defendant denies all of the allegations.
- 53. Responding to Paragraph 53f the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief, but denies that she is entitled to any such relief and denies the remaining allegations in this paragraph.
- Responding to Paragraph 54f the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that 54. Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief, but denies that she is entitled to any such relief and denies the remaining allegations in this paragraph.

#### VII. SECOND CLAIM

### **Disabled Persons Act**

(The Pizza Hut Facility)

55. Responding to Paragraph 55 the Complaint, Defendant realleges and reincorporates herein paragraphs 1 through 54 of this Answer as set forth above.

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- 58. Responding to Paragraph 58 of the Complaint, Civil Code §§ 54, et seq. speak for themselves. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of these sections to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of these sections.
- 59. Responding to Paragraph 59 of the Complaint, Defendant denies all of the allegations.
- Responding to Paragraph 60 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that 60. Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief, but denies that she is entitled to any such relief and denies the remaining allegations in this paragraph.
- 61. Responding to Paragraph 61 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief, but denies that she is entitled to any such relief and denies the remaining allegations in this paragraph.

### VIII. THIRD CLAIM

# **Unruh Civil Rights Act**

(The Pizza Hut Facility)

- 62. Responding to Paragraph 62 of the Complaint, Defendant realleges and reincorporates herein paragraphs 1 through 61 of this Answer as set forth above.
- Responding to Paragraph 63 of the Complaint, the Unruh Civil Rights Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- Responding to Paragraph 64 of the Complaint, the Unruh Civil Rights Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.

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- Responding to Paragraph 65 of the Complaint, the Unruh Civil Rights Act 65. speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 66. Responding to Paragraph 66 of the Complaint, Defendant denies all of the allegations.
- 67. Responding to Paragraph 67 of the Complaint, Defendant denies all of the allegations.
- 68. Responding to Paragraph 68 of the Complaint, Defendant denies all of the allegations.
- 69. Responding to Paragraph 69 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief, but denies that she is entitled to any such relief and denies the remaining allegations in this paragraph.

#### IX. FOURTH CLAIM

## **Denial of Full and Equal Access to Public Facilities**

(The Pizza Hut Facility)

- 70. Responding to Paragraph 70 of the Complaint, Defendant realleges and reincorporates herein paragraphs 1 through 69 of this Answer as set forth above.
- Responding to Paragraph 71 of the Complaint, Health & Safety Code §§ 71. 19955, et seq. speak for themselves. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of these sections to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of these sections.
- Responding to Paragraph 72 of the Complaint, Health & Safety Code §§ 72. 19955, et seq. speak for themselves. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of these sections to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of these sections.
- 73. Responding to Paragraph 73 of the Complaint, Defendant admits only that the subject store is a "public accommodation," but denies all remaining allegations contained in this paragraph.

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Responding to Paragraph 74 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that 74. Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief, but denies that she is entitled to any such relief and denies the remaining allegations in this paragraph.

#### X. FIFTH CLAIM

#### Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990

# Denial of "Full and Equal" Enjoyment and Use

(The Subway Facility)

- 75. Responding to Paragraph 75 of the Complaint, Defendant realleges and reincorporates herein paragraphs 1 through 74 of this Answer as set forth above.
- 76. Responding to Paragraph 76 of the Complaint, the Americans With Disabilities Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent that such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 77. Responding to Paragraph 77 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.

# Failure to Remove Architectural Barriers in an Existing Facility

- 78. Responding to Paragraph 78 of the Complaint, the Americans With Disabilities Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent that such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 79. Responding to Paragraph 79 of the Complaint, the Americans With Disabilities Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent that such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- Responding to Paragraph 80 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- Responding to Paragraph 81 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.

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- 85. Responding to Paragraph 85 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 86. Responding to Paragraph 86 of the Complaint, the Americans With Disabilities Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent that such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 87. Responding to Paragraph 87 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.

# Failure to Modify Existing Policies and Procedures

- 88. Responding to Paragraph 88 of the Complaint, the Americans With Disabilities Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent that such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- Responding to Paragraph 89 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.

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Responding to Paragraph 90 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that 90. Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief. Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's remaining allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.

91. Responding to Paragraph 91 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief. Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's remaining allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.

#### XI. SIXTH CLAIM

#### **Disabled Persons Act**

(The Subway Facility)

- 92. Responding to Paragraph 92 of the Complaint, Defendant realleges and reincorporates herein paragraphs 1 through 91 of this Answer as set forth above.
- 93. Responding to Paragraph 93 of the Complaint, Civil Code §§ 54, et seq. speak for themselves. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of these sections to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of these sections.
- Responding to Paragraph 94 of the Complaint, Civil Code §§ 54, et seq. 94. speak for themselves. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of these sections to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of these sections.
- Responding to Paragraph 95 of the Complaint, Civil Code §§ 54, et seq. speak for themselves. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of these sections to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of these sections.
- Responding to Paragraph 96 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- Responding to Paragraph 97 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief. Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's remaining allegations, and on that basis denies

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Responding to Paragraph 98 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that 98. Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief. Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's remaining allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.

#### XII. SEVENTH CLAIM

# **Unruh Civil Rights Act**

(The Subway Facility)

- 99. Responding to Paragraph 99 of the Complaint, Defendant realleges and reincorporates herein paragraphs 1 through 98 of this Answer as set forth above.
- 100. Responding to Paragraph 100 of the Complaint, the Unruh Civil Rights Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 101. Responding to Paragraph 101 of the Complaint, the Unruh Civil Rights Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 102. Responding to Paragraph 102 of the Complaint, the Unruh Civil Rights Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 103. Responding to Paragraph 103 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 104. Responding to Paragraph 104 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 105. Responding to Paragraph 105 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief. Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's remaining allegations, and on that basis denies

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106. Responding to Paragraph 106 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief. Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's remaining allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.

#### XIII. EIGHTH CLAIM

### **Denial of Full and Equal Access to Public Facilities**

(The Subway Facility)

- 107. Responding to Paragraph 107 of the Complaint, Defendant realleges and reincorporates herein paragraphs 1 through 106 of this Answer as set forth above.
- 108. Responding to Paragraph 108 of the Complaint, Health & Safety Code §§ 19955, et seq. speak for themselves. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of these sections to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of these sections.
- 109. Responding to Paragraph 109 of the Complaint, Health & Safety Code §§ 19955, et seq. speak for themselves. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of these sections to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of these sections.
- 110. Responding to Paragraph 110 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 111. Responding to Paragraph 111 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief. Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's remaining allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.

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#### XIV. NINTH CLAIM

### Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990

## Denial of "Full and Equal" Enjoyment and Use

(The Hanaoka Facility)

- 112. Responding to Paragraph 112 of the Complaint, Defendant realleges and reincorporates herein paragraphs 1 through 111 of this Answer as set forth above.
- 113. Responding to Paragraph 113 of the Complaint, the Americans With Disabilities Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent that such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 114. Responding to Paragraph 114 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.

### Failure to Remove Architectural Barriers in an Existing Facility

- 115. Responding to Paragraph 115 of the Complaint, the Americans With Disabilities Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent that such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 116. Responding to Paragraph 116 of the Complaint, the Americans With Disabilities Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent that such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 117. Responding to Paragraph 117 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 118. Responding to Paragraph 118 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.

# Failure to Design and Construct an Accessible Facility

119. Responding to Paragraph 119 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on

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that basis denies the allegations.

- Responding to Paragraph 120 of the Complaint, the Americans With Disabilities Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent that such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 121. Responding to Paragraph 121 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.

# Failure to Make an Altered Facility Accessible

- 122. Responding to Paragraph 122 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 123. Responding to Paragraph 123 of the Complaint, the Americans With Disabilities Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent that such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 124. Responding to Paragraph 124 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.

# Failure to Modify Existing Policies and Procedures

- 125. Responding to Paragraph 125 of the Complaint, the Americans With Disabilities Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent that such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 126. Responding to Paragraph 126 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 127. Responding to Paragraph 127 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief. Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's remaining allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.

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128. Responding to Paragraph 128 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief. Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's remaining allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.

#### XV. TENTH CLAIM

#### **Disabled Persons Act**

(The Hanaoka Facility)

- 129. Responding to Paragraph 129 of the Complaint, Defendant realleges and reincorporates herein paragraphs 1 through 128 of this Answer as set forth above.
- 130. Responding to Paragraph 130 of the Complaint, Civil Code §§ 54, et seq. speak for themselves. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of these sections to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of these sections.
- 131. Responding to Paragraph 131 of the Complaint, Civil Code §§ 54, et seq. speak for themselves. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of these sections to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of these sections.
- 132. Responding to Paragraph 132 of the Complaint, Civil Code §§ 54, et seq. speak for themselves. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of these sections to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of these sections.
- 133. Responding to Paragraph 133 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 134. Responding to Paragraph 134 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief. Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's remaining allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 135. Responding to Paragraph 135 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief. Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's remaining allegations, and on that basis denies

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#### XVI. ELEVENTH CLAIM

# **Unruh Civil Rights Act**

(The Hanaoka Facility)

- 136. Responding to Paragraph 136 of the Complaint, Defendant realleges and reincorporates herein paragraphs 1 through 135 of this Answer as set forth above.
- 137. Responding to Paragraph 137 of the Complaint, the Unruh Civil Rights Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 138. Responding to Paragraph 138 of the Complaint, the Unruh Civil Rights Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 139. Responding to Paragraph 139 of the Complaint, the Unruh Civil Rights Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 140. Responding to Paragraph 140 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 141. Responding to Paragraph 141 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 142. Responding to Paragraph 142 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief. Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's remaining allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 143. Responding to Paragraph 143 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief. Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's remaining allegations, and on that basis denies

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### XVII. TWELFTH CLAIM

# **Denial of Full and Equal Access to Public Facilities**

(The Hanaoka Facility)

- 144. Responding to Paragraph 144 of the Complaint, Defendant realleges and reincorporates herein paragraphs 1 through 143 of this Answer as set forth above.
- 145. Responding to Paragraph 145 of the Complaint, Health & Safety Code §§ 19955, et seq. speak for themselves. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of these sections to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of these sections.
- 146. Responding to Paragraph 146 of the Complaint, Health & Safety Code §§ 19955, et seq. speak for themselves. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of these sections to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of these sections.
- 147. Responding to Paragraph 147 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 148. Responding to Paragraph 148 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief. Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's remaining allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.

#### XVIII. THIRTEENTH CLAIM

## Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990

### Denial of "Full and Equal" Enjoyment and Use

(The Casa de Oro Facility)

149. Responding to Paragraph 149 of the Complaint, Defendant realleges and reincorporates herein paragraphs 1 through 148 of this Answer as set forth above.

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- 150. Responding to Paragraph 150 of the Complaint, the Americans With Disabilities Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent that such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 151. Responding to Paragraph 151 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.

### Failure to Remove Architectural Barriers in an Existing Facility

- 152. Responding to Paragraph 152 of the Complaint, the Americans With Disabilities Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent that such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 153. Responding to Paragraph 153 of the Complaint, the Americans With Disabilities Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent that such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 154. Responding to Paragraph 154 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 155. Responding to Paragraph 155 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.

# Failure to Design and Construct an Accessible Facility

- 156. Responding to Paragraph 156 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 157. Responding to Paragraph 157 of the Complaint, the Americans With Disabilities Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent that such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 158. Responding to Paragraph 158 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on

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that basis denies the allegations.

### Failure to Make an Altered Facility Accessible

- 159. Responding to Paragraph 159 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 160. Responding to Paragraph 160 of the Complaint, the Americans With Disabilities Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent that such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 161. Responding to Paragraph 161 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.

# Failure to Modify Existing Policies and Procedures

- 162. Responding to Paragraph 162 of the Complaint, the Americans With Disabilities Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent that such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 163. Responding to Paragraph 163 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 164. Responding to Paragraph 164 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief. Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's remaining allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 165. Responding to Paragraph 165 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief. Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's remaining allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.

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#### XIX. FOURTEENTH CLAIM

#### **Disabled Persons Act**

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- 166. Responding to Paragraph 166 of the Complaint, Defendant realleges and reincorporates herein paragraphs 1 through 165 of this Answer as set forth above.
- 167. Responding to Paragraph 167 of the Complaint, Civil Code §§ 54, et seq. speak for themselves. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of these sections to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of these sections.
- 168. Responding to Paragraph 168 of the Complaint, Civil Code §§ 54, et seq. speak for themselves. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of these sections to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of these sections.
- 169. Responding to Paragraph 169 of the Complaint, Civil Code §§ 54, et seq. speak for themselves. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of these sections to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of these sections.
- 170. Responding to Paragraph 170 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 171. Responding to Paragraph 171 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's remaining allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 172. Responding to Paragraph 172, Defendant acknowledges that Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief. Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.

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# XX. FIFTEENTH CLAIM

# **Unruh Civil Rights Act**

(The Casa de Oro Facility)

- 173. Responding to Paragraph 173 of the Complaint, Defendant realleges and reincorporates herein paragraphs 1 through 172 of this Answer as set forth above.
- 174. Responding to Paragraph 174 of the Complaint, the Unruh Civil Rights Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 175. Responding to Paragraph 175 of the Complaint, the Unruh Civil Rights Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 176. Responding to Paragraph 176 of the Complaint, the Unruh Civil Rights Act speaks for itself. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of the Act to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of the Act.
- 177. Responding to Paragraph 177 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 178. Responding to Paragraph 178 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 179. Responding to Paragraph 179 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief. Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's remaining allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 180. Responding to Paragraph 180 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief. Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's remaining allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.

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#### XXI. SIXTEENTH CLAIM

# **Denial of Full and Equal Access to Public Facilities**

(The Casa de Oro Facility)

- 181. Responding to Paragraph 181 of the Complaint, Defendant realleges and reincorporates herein paragraphs 1 through 180 of this Answer as set forth above.
- 182. Responding to Paragraph 182 of the Complaint, Health & Safety Code §§ 19955, et seq. speak for themselves. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of these sections to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of these sections.
- 183. Responding to Paragraph 183 of the Complaint, Health & Safety Code §§ 19955, et seq. speak for themselves. Defendant denies Plaintiff's characterization of these sections to the extent such characterization is inconsistent with the provisions of these sections.
- 184. Responding to Paragraph 184 of the Complaint, Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.
- 185. Responding to Paragraph 185 of the Complaint, Defendant acknowledges that Plaintiff "seeks" certain relief. Defendant lacks the information and knowledge necessary to form a belief as to Plaintiff's remaining allegations, and on that basis denies the allegations.

# **AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES**

For a further answer to Plaintiff's Complaint and by way of affirmative defenses, Defendant alleges as follows:

# FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a First Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that the Complaint and said causes of action fail to state a claim upon which relief may be granted.

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## SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Second Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that plaintiff failed, subsequent to the occurrence described in the Complaint, to properly mitigate his damages, if any, and thereby is precluded from recovering those damages which could have reasonably been avoided by the exercise of due care on his part.

### THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Third Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that plaintiff voluntarily and with full knowledge of the matters referred to in the Complaint assumed any and all of the risk, hazards, and perils of the circumstances referred to in the Complaint and, therefore, assumed the risk of any injuries or damages sustained by said plaintiff, if any at all.

### FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Fourth Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that this incident(s) was caused by the negligence and/or fault of other persons, corporations, and entities, whether named or not named in the Complaint, and that Defendant's liability, if any, should be reduced accordingly.

### FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Fifth Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that said Complaint is barred by the Statute of Limitations; including but not limited to, §§ 335.1, 337.1, 338, 339, 340, and 343 of the California Code of Civil Procedure.

### SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Sixth Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that if any injuries or damages were sustained by plaintiff, those injuries and damages were proximately caused and contributed to by plaintiff herself. Any recovery to which plaintiff is entitled, if any, should be reduced by the amount proportionate to the amount by which plaintiff's fault contributed to the damages plaintiff

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alleges she sustained.

### SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Seventh Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that in the event Defendant prevails in this action, Defendant shall be entitled to recover reasonable attorneys' fees for the defense of this matter under the provisions of the ADA and California Civil Code Sections 51, 52 and 54.

### EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As an Eighth Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that Defendant's conduct was privileged because it was undertaken pursuant to the terms of the applicable laws, regulations, orders, and approvals relating to building construction and/or fire safety and public safety.

### NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Ninth Affirmative Defense, it is alleged that plaintiff's Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, is barred by reason of the issuance by local building authorities of appropriate building permits and Certificates of Occupancy for said facilities.

### TENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Tenth Affirmative Defense, it is alleged that any and all injuries or damages, if any, suffered by plaintiff were caused, in whole or in part, by other persons or entities for whose acts or omissions Defendant has no responsibility.

# ELEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As an Eleventh Affirmative Defense, it is alleged that the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, is barred by reason of Defendant's good faith reliance upon the advice of architects with respect to said facilities.

# TWELFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Twelfth Affirmative Defense, it is alleged that the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein is barred because the relief demanded in plaintiff's complaint would, if granted result in a fundamental alteration of Defendant's services.

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### THIRTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Thirteenth Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that plaintiff's claims are barred, in whole or in part, because of their failure to name indispensable parties pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P., Rule 19.

## FOURTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Fourteenth Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that plaintiff's claims are barred, in whole or in part, by the equitable doctrine of waiver.

# FIFTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Fifteenth Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that plaintiff's claims are barred, in whole or in part, by the doctrine of equitable estoppel.

### SIXTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Sixteenth Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that plaintiff's claims are barred, in whole or in part, by the doctrine of judicial estoppel.

# SEVENTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Seventeenth Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that plaintiff's claims are barred, in whole or in part, by the doctrine of laches.

# EIGHTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As an Eighteenth Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that plaintiff's claims are barred, in whole or in part, because Defendant was justified in acting as it did, in that Defendant acted in good faith and in the lawful exercise of their legitimate rights in connection with all matters alleged in the Complaint.

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## NINETEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Nineteenth Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that plaintiff's claims are barred, in whole or in part, because the laws that plaintiff seeks to enforce are unconstitutionally vague and/or unconstitutionally overbroad

### TWENTIETH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Twentieth Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that plaintiff's claims are barred, in whole or in part, because Defendant relied in good faith on the law as it existed at the time of the construction of the facilities at issue.

### TWENTY FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Twenty First Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that Plaintiff's claims are barred in whole or in part by the doctrine of unclean hands.

### TWENTY SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Twenty Second Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action, it is alleged that plaintiff's claims are barred as a matter of law because plaintiff lacks standing to seek the relief she requests.

# TWENTY THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a further, separate and distinct Twenty Third Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that the features identified in the Complaint substantially comply with the applicable law and are within "dimensional tolerances."

# TWENTY FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Twenty Fourth Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that plaintiff's claims are barred as a matter of law because plaintiff failed to provide any notice to Defendant regarding the alleged accessibility issues prior to filing this lawsuit.

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## TWENTY FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Twenty Fifth Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that plaintiffs' claims for damages under the Unruh Act are barred as a matter of law because plaintiff cannot meet his burden of establishing intentional conduct on the part of Defendant.

### TWENTY SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Twenty Sixth Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that any allegedly wrongful acts or omissions performed by Defendant or its agents, if there were any, do not subject Defendant to liability because the removal of alleged architectural barriers was not readily achievable.

### TWENTY SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Twenty Seventh Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, Defendant reserves the right to amend this Answer to assert additional affirmative defenses as such additional defenses are discovered during the course of this case.

### TWENTY EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Twenty Eighth Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 12182(b)(3), Defendant is not required to permit Plaintiff to participate in or benefit from the goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages and/or accommodations where Plaintiff poses a direct threat to the health and safety of Plaintiff and others.

# TWENTY NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Twenty Ninth Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that Plaintiff's claims are barred in whole or in part by the doctrine of res judicata.

# THIRTIETH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Thirtieth Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that Plaintiff's claims are barred in whole or in part by the

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### THIRTY FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Thirty First Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that Plaintiff's claims are barred because the purported architectural barriers provide effective access to plaintiffs.

### THIRTY SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Thirty Second Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that any allegedly wrongful acts or omissions performed by Defendant or its agents, if there were any, do not subject Defendant to liability because full compliance with the accessibility requirements would be structurally impracticable to do so.

### THIRTY THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Thirty Third Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that any allegedly wrongful acts or omissions performed by Defendant or its agents, if there were any, do not subject Defendant to liability because any and all alterations to the facility, if any, were made to ensure that the facility would be readily accessible to the maximum extent feasible.

### THIRTY FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Thirty Fourth Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that any allegedly wrongful acts or omissions performed by Defendant or its agents, if there were any, do not subject Defendant to liability because the cost and scope of any and all alterations to the path of travel to the altered areas containing a primary function, if any, would be disproportionate to the cost of the overall alterations to the primary function, if any.

### THIRTY FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Thirty Fifth Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that any allegedly wrongful acts or omissions performed by Defendant or its agents, if there were any, do not subject Defendant to liability because

Defendant accommodates plaintiffs' alleged disability by providing services via alternative methods other than the removal of alleged architectural barriers.

## THIRTY SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Thirty Sixth Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that plaintiffs' claims are barred because insofar as Defendant has not made the alterations to the facilities at issue, which plaintiffs contend should have been made, those changes were not and are not required under federal or California law, and any requirements to make those changes would impose an undue burden upon Defendant.

### THIRTY SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a Thirty Seventh Affirmative Defense to the Complaint and each cause of action alleged therein, it is alleged that plaintiffs' claims may be barred by any or all of the affirmative defendants contemplated by Rules 8 and 12 of the Federal Rules of Procedure. The extent to which plaintiffs' claims may be barred cannot be determined until Defendant has an opportunity to complete discovery. Therefore, Defendant incorporates all such affirmative defenses as though fully set forth herein.

# **WHEREFORE**, Defendant prays:

- That the Complaint be dismissed with prejudice; 1.
- 2. That Plaintiff take nothing by way of his Complaint;
- 3. That Defendant recover its cost of suit, including attorneys' fees; and,
- 4. For such other and further relief as the Court deems just and equitable.

DATED: July 21, 2008 GREENBERG TRAURIG, LLP

By /s/ Michael J. Chilleen

Gregory F. Hurley Michael J. Chilleen Attorneys for Defendant Ralphs Grocery Company, DBA Food 4 Less # 780

**DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL** Defendant hereby demands a trial by jury. DATED: July 21, 2008 GREENBERG TRAURIG, LLP By /s/ Michael J. Chilleen Gregory F. Hurley Michael J. Chilleen Attorneys for Defendant Pizza Hut, Inc., dba Pizza Hut # 315059 ANSWER TO COMPLAINT Case No. 08 CV 1111 L NLS OC 286,282,665v1 7-21-08

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF ORANGE

I am employed in the aforesaid county, State of California; I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the within action; my business address is 3161 Michelson Drive, Suite 1000, Irvine, California 92612.

On the below date, I served: **DEFENDANT PIZZA HUT, INC.'S ANSWER TO COMPLAINT** with the Clerk of the United States District Court for the Southern District, using the CM/ECF System. The Court's CM/ECF System will send an email notification of the foregoing filing to the following parties and counsel of record who are registered with the Court's CM/ECF System:

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Attorney for Plaintiff, Barbara Hubbard

(BY ELECTRONIC SERVICE VIA CM/ECF SYSTEM)

In accordance with the electronic filing procedures of this Court, service has been effected on the aforesaid party(s) above, whose counsel of record is a registered participant of CM/ECF, via electronic service through the CM/ECF system.

(FEDERAL)

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct, and that I am employed at the office of a member of the bar of this Court and at whose direction the service was made.

Executed on July 21, 2008, at Irvine, California.

/s/ Michael Chilleen Signature

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